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SUBJECT:PRESIDENT EYADEMA'S OFFER OF ASYLUM TO VIETNAMESE

FAMILY

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1. IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR U.S. TO INTERVENE WITH GVN ON
BEHALF OF DR. DUONG'S FAMILY, GIVEN EXTREME DIFFICULTY U.S.
EMBASSY NOW EXPERIENCING OBTAINING EXIT VISAS EVEN FOR
VIETNAMESE WITH U.S. CONNECTIONS.

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2. MOST EFFECTIVE COURSE WOULD BE FOR EYADEMA TO SEND

URGENT PERSONAL MESSAGE THROUGH FRENCH EMBASSY TO PRESIDENT
OF SOUTH VIET-NAM ASKING SPECIAL CONSIDERATION FOR DUONG'S
FAMILY. FRENCH EMBASSY/ WASHINGTON SAYS FRENCH EMBASSY/
SAIGON IS OPEN AND FRENCH GOVT. HAS NO RPT NO PLANS TO
CLOSE IT.

3. THOUGH SPACE STILL AVAILABLE ON COMMERCIAL FLIGHTS FROM
SAIGON, SUDDEN FURTHER DETERIORATION OF MILITARY
SITUATION COULD CHANGE THAT. IF EYADEMA TRULY COMMITTED TO
RESCUE DUONG'S FAMILY HE MAY WISH CHARTER COMMERCIAL AIR-
LINER TO STAND BY TO EVACUATE THEM IF NECESSARY. KISSINGER

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